

REMARKS

This application is now being prosecuted by the undersigned. A replacement power of attorney will be submitted shortly and it is requested that **all future correspondence be directed to the undersigned at the address below.**

By this amendment the claims which were considered allowable by the examiner have been made independent or depend from an allowed claim. The objection under 35 USC sec 112/2 for indefiniteness has been attended to and thus it is submitted that the pending claims are in condition for allowance.

It is noted for the record, the scope of these claims and amendments previously made do not reflect the true scope of the invention presented herein. Because prosecution has proceeded so far, it is believed that the best course of action is to allow issuance of the allowable claims and take the issue of the true scope of the invention is a separate divisional application. Therefore, the acceptance of these claims should in no way imply an acquiescence to the position of the Office in this case, but a mere expediency to allow full examination of a new set of claims in a separate prosecution.

CONCLUSION

In view of the amendments and reasons provided above, it is believed that all pending claims are in condition for allowance. The amendments clarify the patentable invention without adding new subject matter. Applicant respectfully requests favorable reconsideration and early allowance of all pending claims.

If a telephone conference would be helpful in resolving any issues concerning this communication, please contact Applicant's attorney of record, Michael B. Lasky at (952) 253-4106.

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